

MEMBER NEWS



Hot off the Press!!

Tickets are now on sale for the Riverboat Cruise. We moved this popular event to October 15th this year to try and take in some Fall color. Boat leaves the dock at 12 noon and returns at 2 PM.

Tickets are \$10 per person, under 2 years are free. Bring your lunch, but drinks must be purchased on the boat

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Come to the meeting this week, or send your request for tickets to Liz Timmer, 7665 Thomas Ave., Jenison MI 49428 or call 616-457-3708. Include check or money order payable to Jenison Historical Association with the number of tickets you will need. Include your email address or phone number for ticket confirmation.

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Minutes of the Jenison Historical Association – July 21, 2016

Present: Ken Williams, Gene Kort, Mike Timmer, Liz Timmer, Nellie DeLaat, Barb Semeyn, Linda Droog, Mary Raper, Ronnie Aungst.

Association Business

Approve July Agenda: Motioned to accept as presented by Mike and Barb. Carried.

Review May and June Minutes: Motioned to accept both as written. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Gene and Ronnie motioned to accept as written. Carried.

Curator/Historian's Report:

- Meeting with Tracy Wallace, high school teacher, who is interested in using local history research of founding families in area as a class project.
- Presented new aerial view of the Jenison farm on Port Sheldon taken in the 1950's. Picture from Craig Jenison.
- Newest owner of the Luke Lowing farm on Bend Dr. stopped by with original house plans and a written story of the Lowings who lived there. This can be featured in future newsletter.
- Bob Essenberg has shared photos related to a wagon trail to Holland which was on his property.
- Ken shared photos of their recent trip to Colorado's Frontier Museum, a Gold Mine and the Tabor Opera House.
- In our collection we have found a 46 star flag believed to be donated by Wallin.
- Yvonne found a Cream Separator at a recent sale. It is now located in the attic.

Acquisition's Report: Barb reported a few new items will need to be written up.

Report on Files: Mary distributed notes outlining her plans to accomplish the very detailed work of reorganizing our files. (See hand out.)

Cleaning & Upkeep of Museum: Yvonne was not present but she has been working on new cleaning lists. She and Cordy worked on checking out the flags this past month.

Maintenance Report: Mike reported that work will begin on the house next week (July 25-30). They will be power washing, removing the plexi-glass from the turret windows which we can then clean. It will also include repairing some of the cedar shingles and wood repairs before the painting begins. This work may take up to 3 weeks.

Township Representative's Report: Ron not present

Christmas Decorations: Barb reported the work group has completed some "paper doll" ornaments and the Victorian Village is assembled. The group is working on the felt mat with the road ways and background. She has ordered garlands for the big tree. Plan to move the Children's tree to the back parlor to be near the Village display.

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October Boat Ride: Liz will have the fliers and tickets ready to go for the August meeting. We will be limited to selling 140 tickets.

Review Master Plan/Projects: Liz had handouts to review with the board on what projects are completed and those we need to keep on the list. Liz will come back with a new revised list next month.

2017 Open House themes/Special Events: Because we would like to have new 2017 flyers ready to go by the Nov. 5 Community Expo, Liz asked for discussion and ideas for 2017. Ken's goal is to have the timeline completed by the March open house with plans to display it on the front porch. Ronnie and Yvonne have been working on Jenison Women for March and April. We are interested in featuring our new found flags so it was decided we should do a patriotic theme for May, June and July. For September and October we could feature our River Boats again with the Boat Ride in the fall.

- Advertising/Marketing: We have found that if we do not have any advertising of our open houses in the Advance or community calendar, we had very poor attendance. Our July open house had no visitors. The news article came out the next day. Liz is going to check into cost of ads.

2017 Budget Development: tabled till next month due to Ruth's absence.

Treasurer Report

Treasurer Report July 2016

submitted by Ruth Lowing, Treasurer

Date	Num	Transaction	Checking Account Memo	Category	Amount
Beginning Balance					\$6,539.39
No Entries for July					
Activity for report period					\$0.00
Checking Account Balance					\$ 6,539.39
Petty Cash					\$50.00
12/1/12					
Petty Cash Balance					\$ 50.00
ENDING Accounts BALANCE					\$6,589.39
2015 Retained Earnings					\$6,280.03
Total Income 2016					\$1,133.32
Total Expenses 2016					(\$873.96)
Checking Account Balance					\$6,539.39
Petty Cash Box					\$50.00
Cash on Hand					\$6,589.39
Receivables					\$0.00
Total Equity					\$ 6,589.39
SPECIAL FUND-RESTORATION PROJECT-ENDING BALANCE (note, this balance is part of the total Cash on Hand above					\$ 101.68

Upcoming Open Houses

Jenison Museum “Tool Time”,

Tour the Museum during the July thru September Open Houses to learn about all the older technologies and how they did their job. See the schedule on the next page for dates

Grand Lady Riverboat Ride

Tickets will be on sale soon for the October 15 fall color tour on the Grand Lady. Mark your calendars and get your tickets early as this popular tour sells out early.

Jenison Museum Souvenir’s

Our newest souvenir in the Gift Shop is still available for sale. This year we are highlighting the Jenison Mill. We also have a few of our previous design from 2012 highlighting the Jenison Museum



Prices: \$15 each or two for \$25

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JHA Trustee’s

Chair

Liz Timmer (2016)
457-3708

Vice Chair/Curator/Tours

Ken Williams (2017)
772.6523

Treasurer/Editor

Ruth Lowing (2017)
540-4709

Social Secretary

Nellie DeLaat (2016)
457-1193

Recording Secretary

Linda Droog (2018)
457-3016

Archivist

Barb Semeyn (2017)
457-9343

Maintenance/Historian

Mike Timmer (2016)
531-1218

Trustee

Yvonne Williams (2017)
772-6523
Gene Kort (2016)
534-6769

Township Rep

Ron Villerius

(####) = year of term expiration

Contact Information: Members may contact the board at the above phone numbers or leave a message at 457-4398 or info@jenisonhistory.org

Organization Membership in the Historical Association of Michigan

Find us on the registry of the Historical Society of Michigan
www.hsmichigan.org

2016 Association Schedule

2016 Open House Schedule

August 2 – 10 – noon
September 6 - 10 – noon – Tool Time
September 17 – 2-4 PM – Tool Time
October 6 – 10-noon – Tool Time
October 15 – Noon to 2 PM Grand Lady
Riverboat
2:30 to 4 PM Museum Open
November 1 – 10-Noon –
December 3 – 1-4 PM – Christmas
December 6 – 10-Noon – Christmas
January 7, 2017 – 2-4 PM - Christmas

Meeting Schedule

Meetings are all open to the public and held on the **3rd Thursday** of the month at 6:45 PM at the Georgetown Library, unless noted. No meeting in December.

Thursday, February 18

Thursday, March 17

Thursday, April 21

Thursday, May 19 –Rosewood Church 6 PM

Thursday, June 16-Rosewood Church

Thursday, July 21

Thursday, August 18

Thursday, September 15

Thursday, October 20

Thursday, November 17

> > No meeting in December

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